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A SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR PROSPECTIVE TEACHERS IN GEORGIA IS OPEN TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THE UPPER 20 PERCENT OF THEIR GRADUATING CLASSES AND TO COLLEGE STUDENTS IN UNDERGRADUATE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS WHO HAVE HAD AND CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN A "B" AVERAGE. SCHOLARSHIPS OF UP TO \$5,800 ANNUALLY IN ACCREDITED GEORGIA COLLEGES ARE BASED ON NEED AND TUITION COSTS. RECIPIENTS ARE OBLIGATED TO TEACH IN GEORGIA SCHOOLS FOR 3 TO 5 YEARS, DEPENDING ON THE AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP AID RECEIVED. OTHERWISE, THE SCHOLARSHIP IS TREATED AS A LOAN TO BE REPAID WITH INTEREST. SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS MAY ALSO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE FOR UP TO FOUR QUARTERS OF GRADUATE STUDY LEADING TO THE MASTER'S DEGREE IN EDUCATION, AND TO FIFTH-YEAR CERTIFICATION LIMITED TO 25 STUDENTS PER YEAR. (RP)

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APPLICATIONS MAY BE SECURED  
FROM  
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OR

State Teacher Scholarship Program  
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## POLICIES STATE TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

A Georgia State Constitutional Amendment ratified in 1968 stated that: "The State Board of Education shall have the authority to grant to citizens who are interested in becoming teachers and who are bona fide residents of the State of Georgia such scholarships as are necessary for them to complete programs of study in preparation for teaching."

Applications for the State Teacher Scholarship are accepted from individuals who meet the following qualifications:

### HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS WHO ARE

1. Unmarried residents of Georgia
2. In the upper 20% of graduating class
3. Planning to attend a Georgia College
4. Planning to teach in Georgia
5. In need of financial assistance to attend college

### COLLEGE STUDENTS WHO ARE

1. Unmarried residents of Georgia (marriage restriction applies only to freshmen and sophomores)
2. Attending a Georgia college
3. Engaged in an approved teacher education program
4. Maintaining at least an overall "B" average
5. Planning to teach in Georgia
6. In need of financial assistance to continue college (The number of college students accepted for the program may be limited by the number of high school seniors accepted as well as the availability of funds.)

## GENERAL REGULATIONS

### SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

The scholarship amount is determined by the information provided on the Confidential Financial Statement as well as the overall cost of the college the recipient plans to attend. Scholarships range from \$300 to \$1,000 for an academic year.

### OBLIGATION TO THE STATE

All scholarship recipients are required to teach in the public elementary or high schools of Georgia for a period of three (3), four (4), or five (5) years, according to the amount of scholarship aid received as shown on the following scale:

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT	TEACHING OBLIGATION	REMOVAL OF FINANCIAL OBLIGATION
Up to \$3,000	Three years	Subtract 1/3 of obligation for each year of teaching
\$3,001 - \$4,000	Four years	Subtract 1/4 of obligation for each year of teaching
\$4,001 - \$5,000	Five years	Subtract 1/5 of obligation for each year of teaching

Students, who, for various reasons, do not remain on the program for the entire four years of college may also meet their obligation to the state by teaching the required number of years.

## COURSE OF STUDY AND CERTIFICATION

Scholarship recipients must pursue a full academic program of studies approved by the dean or head of the college, school, division or department of education in accordance with the teacher education and certification requirements of the Georgia State Board of Education. It shall be the responsibility of the scholarship recipient and the college or university to insure that such scholarship recipient will be eligible for a Georgia Professional Teacher's Certificate upon graduation.

## ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Scholarship recipients must maintain an overall average of "B" or better. Grades are averaged at the end of spring quarter/semester each year. It shall be the responsibility of the recipient and the college or university to see that a transcript showing the overall academic average is submitted promptly. If at the end of spring quarter/semester a student does not have an overall "B" average, he will be dropped from the program. A student may be reinstated when he has again attained the required average. No student will be considered for reinstatement more than one time.

## FAILURE TO MEET TEACHING OBLIGATION

Those students who fail to meet their teaching obligation will be required to repay the amount received under the program plus 5% per annum interest accumulated from the date of withdrawal or graduation from college.

## MARRIAGE

Scholarship recipients marrying during their freshman or sophomore year will be dropped from the program. If funds are available, a student dropped under this restriction may be reinstated during his junior year. The marriage restriction applies to freshmen and sophomores only.

## TRANSFER

Recipients cannot transfer more than one time during their college careers without permission from the State Scholarship Selection Committee. (Junior College transfers are not included in this rule) The State Scholarship office should be notified of all transfers at least two quarters in advance.

## GRADUATE STUDY

Previous scholarship recipients may receive assistance for four consecutive quarters of graduate study in a public or private Georgia institution. The recipient must be involved in a planned program that leads toward a master's degree by the end of the fourth quarter of study. This degree must qualify him for fifth year certification under the standards set forth by the State Department of Education. No more than twenty-five students may be approved for graduate assistance during any one academic year. Scholarships for graduate study will be set at \$1,800 for the four quarters.